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SEVENTH (11th) ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
Gulf Mission Conference  
OF THE  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HELD AT  
PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS, FEBRUARY 5-9, 1903.

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## PROGRAM

### Gulf Mission Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church

PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS.

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#### WEDNESDAY.

7:30 p. m. Sermon by T. C. Iliff, D. D., Philadelphia.

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#### THURSDAY.

3:30 p. m. Statistical Session.

7:30 p. m. Missionary Anniversary led by Rev. E. B. Caldwell, of New York.

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#### FRIDAY.

9:00 a. m. Conference Convenes.

3:00 p. m. Missionary Sermon, by John Paul.

4:00 p. m. Woman's Home Missionary Anniversary led by Miss Ella Johnston, secretary, and Miss Page, of the Italian Mission, New Orleans.

7:30 p. m. Church Extension Anniversary, led by Dr. T. C. Iliff, D. D.

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#### SATURDAY.

9:00 a. m. Conference Convenes.

3:00 p. m. Conference becomes the guests of Citizen's Committee.

7:30 p. m. Preaching by W. C. Mann.

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#### SUNDAY.

9:00 a. m. Sunday School at First M. E. Church.

10:00 a. m. Love Feast, led by J. T. James.

11:00 a. m. Sermon by the Bishop.

2:30 p. m. Children's Services, led by J. R. Basket.

3:00 p. m. Ordination Service.

3:30 p. m. Sermon by B. W. Hugg.

7:30 p. m. Sermon by G. B. Hines.

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#### MONDAY.

9:00 a. m. Conference Convenes.

2:00 p. m. Ministers receive their Appointments.



**Our Honored Dead:**

**WALTER ZIMMERMAN**

**IRA N. PARDEE**



## Certificate of Ordinations.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at Port Arthur, Texas, on February 8, 1903, the undersigned ordained

JAMES R. BASKET

a DEACON in the Church of God (under the Missionary Rule), and at the same place and time, assisted by several Elders, ordained

GEORGE B. HINES,  
CHARLES E. MOCK and  
JOHN H. PAUL

ELDERS in the church of God.

W. F. MALLALIEU,  
Bishop Presiding.

Port Arthur, Tex., Feb. 9, 1903.

### Sessions of the Gulf Mission and Conferences of the M. E. Church.

#### GULF MISSION

YEAR	TIME	PLACE	BISHOP	SECRETARY
1893	January 19	Jennings, La.....	E. G. Andrews .....	C. K. Woodson
1894	January 25	Lake Charles, La.	John M. Walden .....	C. K. Woodson
1895	January 24	Crowley, La.....	Thomas Bowman.....	C. K. Woodson
1896	January 23	Jennings, La.....	James N. Fitzgerald...	C. K. Woodson

#### GULF MISSION CONFERENCE

1897	January 21	Jennings, La.....	J. M. Walden .....	C. K. Woodson
1898	February 3	Crowley, La. ....	W. X. Ninde .....	C. K. Woodson
1899	February 2	Lake Charles, La.	S. M. Merrill .....	C. K. Woodson
1900	February 1	Marshall, Tex. ...	I. W. Joyce.....	L. W. Elkins
1901	January 17	Jennings, La.....	H. W. Warren .....	C. W. Campbell
1902	January 30	Lake Charles, La.	C. D. Foss .....	C. W. Campbell
1903	February 5	Port Arthur, Tex.	W. F. Mallalieu .....	C. G. Morris



## CONFERENCE ROLL.

NAMES	Nativity	Became Member of Conference	In What Conference	Began Wk. in this Conference	ADDRESS
Campbell C. W.....	Ind...	1886	Austin...	1898	..... Alvin, Tex
Chaney, P. C. ....	Ala...	1878	Alabama..	1894	..... Beaumont, Tex
Christian, J. A. ....	Texas..	1903	Gulf Mis.	1901	.. Hughes Springs, Tex
Chase, Wm. R.....	Ohio ..	1890	N. Ohio...	1900	1537 Calliope st., N. O
Coons, C. W.....	.....	.....	.....	1903	..... Jennings, La
Hickman, M. C. ....	W. Va.	1890	Wis.....	1901	..... Laporte, Tex
Hines, G. B.....	Texas .	1892	E. Tex. S.	1899	..... Lake Charles, La
James, J. T.....	Va.....	1868	Balt. S...	1899	..... Hammond. La
King, C. A.....	Maine..	1861	Maine ...	1893	..... Lake Charles, La
Lively, J. W.....	Ark ...	1878	N. Tex. S.	1897	..... Marshall, Tex
McCain, H. H.....	La.....	1902	Gulf Mis..	1899	..... Shelbyville, Tex
Morris, C. C.....	N. C....	1898	Blue Rdg.	1900	..... Crowley, La
Oliver, N. H.....	Pa ....	1894	Oklahoma	1901	..... Estherwood, La
Osborne, H. R.....	.....	.....	.....	1903	..... Port Arthur, Tex
Paul, John .....	La.....	1901	Gulf Mis..	1899	..... Gloster, Miss
Robidoux, P. J.....	Canada	.....	Cent. Ill..	1893	..... Crowley, La
Sayers, N. L.....	Pa.....	1902	Gulf Mis..	1898	..... Plaquemine, La
Tinnin, J. W.....	Miss...	1892	Miss. S...	1901	..... Marshall, Tex
Van Valkenborg, F. D.	N. Y....	1871	Little Rk.S	1898	..... Hammond, La
Wells, E. L.....	Mich...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson, Thos.....	Ireland	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodson, J.....	.....	.....	.....	1897	.....

## SECOND YEAR.

Basket, J. A.....	Tenn..	.....	.....	1902	1537 Calliope st., N. O
Harrison, W. E.....	La....	.....	.....	1901	..... Welsh, La
Hugg, B. W.....	.....	.....	.....	1902	..... Lutcher, La
Mann, W. C.....	Texas .	.....	.....	1902	..... Auburn, Miss

## FIRST YEAR.

Hervey, J. W.....	Texas .	.....	.....	1903	..... Hallville, Tex
May, Louis .....	.....	.....	.....	1902	..... Meridian, Miss



## APPOINTMENTS.

### NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

WM. R. CHASE, P. E.

Postoffice, 1537 Calliope St., New Orleans, La.

Auburn and Smithdale ..... W. C. Mann.  
 Beaumont, to be supplied.  
 Crowley ..... C. C. Morris.  
 Ebenezer, supplied by ..... J. A. Carruth.  
 Estherwood and Gueydan ..... N. H. Oliver.  
 French Mission, P. O. Crowley ..... P. J. Robidoux.  
 Gloster Circuit ..... John Paul.  
 Hammond ..... J. T. James.  
 Jennings ..... C. W. Coons.  
 Kinder Circuit ..... C. A. King.  
 Lake Charles ..... G. B. Hines.  
 Laporte and Texas City ..... M. C. Hickman.  
 Lavonia and New Roads, to be supplied.  
 Lockhart, supplied by ..... Dennis May.  
 Lutcher ..... B. W. Hugg.  
 New Orleans, Italian Mission, to be supplied.  
 New Orleans, St. Charles Avenue ..... J. R. Basket.  
 Plaquemine ..... N. L. Sayers. One to be supplied.  
 Port Arthur ..... H. R. Osborne.  
 Raymond, to be supplied.  
 Welsh ..... W. E. Harrison.  
 Wesson Circuit ..... F. D. Van Valkenburg.

### MARSHALL AND RED RIVER DISTRICT.

J. W. LIVELY, P. E.,

Postoffice, Marshall, Texas.

Angelina, to be supplied.  
 Athens, supplied by ..... I. D. Ferguson.  
 Burkeville, supplied by ..... J. A. Ragsdale.  
 Colmesneil, to be supplied.  
 Hughes Springs .... James A. Christian. One to be supplied.



Jefferson and Overton supplied by ..... J. Woodson.  
 Long Street, to be supplied.  
 Marshall ..... J. W. Tinnin.  
 Noonday and Center ..... J. W. Hervey.  
 Poland, supplied by ..... Felton Swanson.  
 Polk, supplied by ..... R. R. Smith.  
 Provincial, supplied by ..... J. Wood.  
 Red River, to be supplied.  
 St. Maurice and Saline, to be supplied.  
 Shelbyville ..... H. H. McCain.  
 Terrel, supplied by ..... P. M. Brakebill.  
 Vivian, supplied by ..... Alex. McDowell.  
 Winnie Circuit ..... C. W. Campbell.  
 Winsboro, to be supplied.  
 Woodville, supplied by ..... Charles Elliott.

### LOCAL PREACHERS.

Black, J. M. .... Hallville, Tex.  
 Black, W. B. .... Hallville, Tex.  
 Bruce, G. W. .... Provincial, La.  
 Campbell, G. W. .... Hot, Tex.  
 Chandler, W. W. .... Greenville, Tex.  
 Cabbage, G. R. .... Coffeyville, Tex.  
 Carruth, S. E. .... Auburn, Miss.  
 Carruth, J. A. .... Ebenezer, La.  
 Carruth, H. L. .... Auburn, Miss.  
 Cassels, D. H. .... Gloster, Miss.  
 Denning, J. F. .... Troupe, Tex.  
 Edwards, V. E. .... Troupe, Tex.  
 Ellis, James .... Welsh, La.  
 Faulk, Henry .... Ebenezer, La.  
 Faulk, John W. .... Ebenezer, La.  
 Germany, R. Z. .... Brookhaven, Miss.  
 Germany, Hugh .... Brookhaven, Miss.  
 Guess, C. M. .... New Iberia, La.  
 Hall, F. R. .... New Orleans, La.  
 Hundley, A. C. .... Iowa, La.  
 Hoffpauir, Abel .... Indian Bayou, La.  
 Hughes, H. R. .... Hughes Springs, Tex.  
 Kenna, J. M. .... Summit, Miss.



Langley, D. D. ....	Beckville, Tex.
Luneau, D. ....	Center Point, Miss.
Londin, J. P. ....	Livinia, La.
Matirne, J. A. ....	Rosedale, La.
McWilliams, H. E. ....	Greenville, Tex.
Nutt, J. M. ....	Elton, La.
Orcult, J. C. ....	Mexico.
Palmisano, A. ....	New Orleans, La.
Petty, Samuel ....	Harleton, Tex.
Richardson, W. B. ....	Colfax, La.
Shows, N. T. ....	Rosedale, La.
Sullivan, C. C. ....	Shelbyville, Tex.
Timmons, W. S. ....	Whitley, Tex.
Webb, T. E. ....	Ripley, Tenn.
Webb, J. A. ....	Ripley, Tenn.
Womack, T. J. ....	Troupe, Tex.
Westbrook, H. L. ....	Auburn, Miss.
Wood, W. J. ....	Provincial, La.
Wilkinson, C. V. ....	Gloster, Miss.
Vital, Gaetano ....	New Orleans, La.

Members of other Conferences within our bounds:

- C. T. Barkaloo, Laporte, Tex., Minnesota Conference.
- P. A. Drown, Jennings, La., Central Ohio Conference.
- Asbury Wilkinson, Lake Charles, La., Indiana Conference.



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## FIRST DAY, THURSDAY.

Port Arthur, Texas, February 5, 1903.

### SEVENTH (7TH) ANNUAL SESSION.

The Gulf Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in its Seventh Annual Session, (11th, including its existence as a Mission) in the First M. E. Church, Port Arthur, Tex., February 5, 1903. Bishop W. F. Mallieu, D. D., L. L. D., presiding.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—After a prayer and song service, the Conference opened by singing Hymn No. 798, Methodist Hymnal and by request of the Bishop, C. C. Morris read the 12th chapter of Romans and Wm. R. Chase led in prayer.

ROLL CALL.—C. W. Campbell, Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll, and the following were present: P. C. Chaney, Wm. R. Chase, M. C. Hickman, G. B. Hines, J. T. James, C. A. King, J. W. Lively, H. H. McCain, C. C. Morris, C. E. Mock, N. H. Oliver, John Paul, P. J. Robidoux, N. L. Sayers, J. W. Tinnin, F. D. Van Valkenburg, Jas. A. Christian, J. R. Basket, B. W. Hugg, W. E. Harrison, W. C. Mann, Louis May, W. B. Van Valkenburg, C. W. Campbell.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—On motion of C. W. Campbell, C. C. Morris was elected Secretary. John Paul was chosen assistant.

On motion of John Paul, Jas. A. Christian was elected Statistical Secretary, W. E. Harrison, assistant.

On motion of C. W. Campbell, N. H. Oliver was elected Treasurer, C. E. Mock, assistant.

Wm. R. Chase read the list of Standing Committees, which was approved. (See list page 3).

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.—The Pastor, J. W. Tinnin, read an address of welcome from R. H. Woodworth, mayor of Port Arthur, and Rev. F. M. Boyles, Pastor of the M.



E. Church, South, delivered an address of welcome in behalf of the Churches of the city, to which J. W. Lively responded. C. W. Campbell presented the Bishop a box of strawberries from a Presbyterian gentleman of Alvin, Texas.

ADDRESS.—After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds", Rev. E. B. Caldwell, Missionary from China, addressed the Conference.

MAILS.—P. J. Robidoux was elected Conference postmaster.

BOOK CONCERN ACCOUNTS.—P. C. Chaney was elected to collect accounts for the Book Concern.

CONFERENCE BAR.—On motion of M. C. Hickman the bar of the Conference was made to include the four front pews.

CONVENING AND ADJOURNING.—The hour fixed for opening the Conference was 9 a. m. and for closing 12 m.

J. W. Tinnin stated that the railroad company had tendered a special train to the Conference for a short excursion Saturday afternoon.

THIRTEENTH QUESTION.—J. W. Lively was called, his character passed, and he reported the work of the Marshall District. Wm. R. Chase was called, his character passed and he reported the work of the New Orleans District. The character of the following Elders was passed and they reported their work: J. W. Tinnin, C. C. Morris, J. T. James, N. H. Oliver, F. D. Van Valkenburg, M. C. Hickman.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS.—On motion of C. A. King, the Bishop appointed J. T. James, N. H. Oliver and M. C. Hickman as a committee on Conference relations.

INTRODUCTIONS.—The following visitors were introduced to the Conference: Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., Assistant Secretary of the Board of Church Extension Society, Mrs. T. C. Iliff, Rev. E. B. Caldwell, China; Rev. F. M. Boyles, pastor of Port Arthur M. E. Church, South; Miss Eliza Page, W. H. M. S., New Orleans, and Miss Ella Johnston, Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Time and place of meeting of the Committees was fixed at 2 p. m. by the Bishop.

Conference adjourned with benediction by Dr. T. C. Iliff.



## SECOND DAY, FRIDAY.

Port Arthur Texas, February 6, 1903.

Conference opened at 9 a. m. with religious exercises conducted by Bishop Mallalieu. After song and prayer service, some minutes were spent in repeating promises of Scripture as a basis of faith. The Bishop gave an address on Scriptural promises.

The minutes of Thursday's session were read, corrected and approved.

DRAFT.—The Bishop presented a draft for \$53.00 on the Book Concern which was ordered and made payable to C. A. King, chairman of the Board of Stewards.

REPORT.—The Secretary read a report representing the interests of the Book Concern.

ADDRESS.—Mr. W. E. O'Kane, of Kansas City, addressed the Conference on the subject of our publishing interests.

COMMITTEES.—J. W. Tinnin and Wm. R. Chase were appointed as committee to reply in writing to the Mayor's communication of welcome.

C. A. King and M. C. Hickman appointed at last Conference to collect funds from the estate of I. N. Pardee, deceased, reported that they had been unable to do so. They were continued for the same purpose and asked to report at the earliest possible date to the chairman of the Conference Board of Stewards.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS COLLECTION.—It was ruled that the Twentieth Century Conference Claimants Collection be placed for investment in the hands of the Conference Stewards.

REPORTS.—After the passage of their character, the following brethren reported their work: B. W. Hugg, J. R. Basket, W. C. Mann, and W. E. Harrison. The grade of each one in the Conference course of study of the first year, was reported by the Registrar, and they were advanced to the studies of the second year.

Louis May was called, his character passed, and reported his work, was continued in studies of the first year.

W. B. Van Valkenburg called, character passed, work reported. He was excused from Conference course of study.



W. H. Curtis called. His credentials were in the hands of Wm. R. Chase, P. E. His case to be considered later.

G. B. Hines, C. E. Mock, and John Paul, each of the fourth year, were called, their character passed, reported their work, and were elected to Elders Orders. G. B. Hines excused from studies of the fourth year having taken entire Conference course of study in the M. E. Church, South.

PERIODICALS.—The Bishop spoke briefly of the importance of circulating our periodicals.

Some favorable remarks were made concerning the Meridian Male College of Meridian, Miss.

ADDRESSES.—Miss Ellen Johnston addressed the Conference on the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Dr. T. C. Iliff made a few remarks concerning the prospects and possibilities of our Conference.

INTRODUCTION.—W. E. O'Kane, Manager of the Book Concern at Kansas City was introduced.

ANNOUNCED.—That all were to be at the Kansas City Southern depot for special excursion train Saturday 1:30 p. m. sharp. Attention was called to the equalization of railroad expenses.

Conference adjourned with benediction by Dr. T. C. Iliff.

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### THIRD DAY, SATURDAY.

Port Arthur, Texas, February 7th, 1903.

A most refreshing song and prayer service conducted by Bishop Mallalieu which was graciously blessed by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Minutes of Friday's session read and approved.

BOOKS.—The Bishop called attention to some special rates on books in the hands of W. E. O'Kane.

REPORTS.—Committee on Conference relations reported.

The character of each Supernumerary preacher was passed.

On motion of J. T. James, P. C. Chaney was continued in present relation.

On motion of C. A. King, Thomas Wilson was continued in present relation.

On motion of J. W. Tinnin, C. W. Campbell was made effective.



On motion of Wm. R. Chase, C. A. King was made effective.

On motion of J. W. Lively, J. Woodson was continued in present relation, and on motion of C. A. King his case was referred to the Conference Board of Stewards.

H. H. McCain was called, his character passed, reported his work and was advanced to the studies of the fourth year conditioned upon bringing up Psychology in studies of the third year.

N. L. Sayers called, character passed.

On motion of C. A. King he was excused from the entire Conference course of study. After reporting his work, Dr. T. C. Iliff promised to see that this new Church which he had rebuilt in place of one destroyed by fire, should have an organ.

Bro. W. McDaniel announced the time the Conference special excursion train would leave the depot.

TRANSFER.—The Bishop announced the transfer of G. A. Pegram to the Detroit Conference.

DEACON'S ORDERS.—On motion of Wm. R. Chase, Jas. R. Basket was elected to Deacon's Orders under the Missionary Rule.

J. A. Christian called, character passed, work reported, and advanced to studies of the third year. After prayer by P. C. Chaney, followed by an address by the Bishop, he was admitted into full connection.

CREDENTIALS.—P. C. Chaney was granted a certificate of Elders Orders in place of original one which was destroyed by fire.

The Secretary was instructed to look after the Credentials of J. G. Campbell which had not been returned.

Dr. T. C. Iliff made some parting remarks.

INTRODUCTIONS.—R. W. McMasters, P. E., of the Ft. Smith District Arkansas Conference Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown of Beaumont, Mrs. J. W. Lively, Mrs. J. W. Hervey, and S. E. Carruth of Mississippi, were introduced to the Conference.

Conference adjourned with benediction by P. C. Chaney.



## FOURTH DAY, MONDAY.

Port Arthur, Texas, February 9th, 1903.

Conference opened at 9 a. m. Bishop Mallalieu conducted the devotional service during which one young lady was converted. After singing "Oh Happy Day That Fixed My Choice," and prayer of Thanksgiving by C. A. King the business of the Conference was taken up.

The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

N. H. Oliver requested that those who desired to devote part of their collection to special work should make a note of it to be turned in with the money.

ADMISSION ON TRIAL.—J. W. Hervey and R. R. Smith were recommended for admission.

On motion of J. W. Lively, J. W. Hervey was admitted on trial.

CREDENTIALS.—J. L. Wyche, Beaumont, Tex., was reported to have gone to the Free Methodist Church. The Secretary was instructed to ask him to return his Credentials for proper indorsement and to be returned to him if he desired.

DISCONTINUED.—On motion of Wm. R. Chase, W. H. Curtis was discontinued.

RESOLUTIONS.—G. B. Hines and J. R. Basket were appointed as a committee on resolutions.

AUDITING.—H. H. McCain was appointed an Auditing committee.

EQUALIZATION OF EXPENSES.—On motion of P. C. Chaney, the resolution of last year, providing for the equalization of railroad expenses for members and probationers of the Gulf Mission Conference was made effective for another year.

P. C. Chaney requested the brethren to hand a statement of the railroad expense to the committee, to be appointed for that purpose, on the first day of the Conference.

COMMITTEE ON EQUALIZATION.—P. C. Chaney, N. L. Sayers.

N. L. Sayers requested the brethren to notify him, as committee on railroad rates, by Christmas, what road or roads they will use in reaching the seat of the next Annual Conference.



SEAT OF NEXT CONFERENCE.—Welsh, Beaumont, Hughes Springs and Marshall were placed in nomination, each place being duly represented and voted upon. Hughes Springs was chosen and on motion of John Paul it was made unanimous.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.—Which were adopted. (See reports.)

COMMITTEES.—G. B. Hines, Wm. R. Chase J. W. Lively, and C. A. King were appointed to investigate the conditions and possibilities of locating a School within the bounds of the Conference.

On motion of M. C. Hickman, the Secretary was given authority to edit the reports.

TRACTS.—The Bishop urged the preachers to liberally circulate Tracts among our people.

APPROPRIATION.—C. A. King made report for Conference Board of Stewards in which was recommended that an appropriation of \$50 be made to Julian Woodson. Approved.

INCORPORATION.—On motion of C. A. King it was ordered that the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards be placed under a bond sufficient to cover the amount placed in his hands, also to look after the advisability of incorporating said board. On motion of F. D. Van Valkenburg this matter was referred to the Board of Stewards and the motion to organize a Veteran's Association was also referred to the same board for consideration.

HOSPITAL AT NEW ORLEANS.—J. R. Basket requested that each pastor notify the pastor of St. Charles Avenue Church, 1537 Callopie St. when any of their friends come for treatment to the Hospital at New Orleans.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.—F. D. Van Valkenburg offered resolution recommending midsummer report of Sunday School statistics. Approved.

COMMITTEES.—The following Committees were announced by the Bishop.

TRIERS OF APPEAL.—C. A. King, J. W. Lively, J. W. Tinnin, F. D. Van Valkenburg, C. C. Morris, J. T. James, John Paul.

EXAMINING BOARD.—J. T. James, Chairman; C. C. Morris, Registrar; C. W. Campbell, M. C. Hickman, N. H. Oliver, John Paul, F. D. Van Valkenburg, G. B. Hines, Wm. R. Chase.



CHURCH EXTENSION.—Pastor at Lake Charles, President; E. Hammond, Vice President; C. A. King, Secretary; Additional Members: M. C. Hickman, S. A. Knapp, Willis Weber, C. W. Campbell, and the Presiding Elders.

STEWARDS.—C. A. King, Chairman; F. D. Van Valkenburg, Secretary; J. T. James, J. W. Lively, C. W. Campbell.

TO PREACH THE MISSIONARY SERMON.—J. T. James; Alternate, J. A. Christian.

RESOLUTIONS.—J. W. Lively and Wm. R. Chase offered resolutions of appreciation of the interest manifested by Bishop C. D. Foss, D. D., L. L. D., in the Gulf Mission Conference in securing for our work a larger missionary appropriation (See report page 83) which was approved by the Conference.

AUDITING.—H. H. McCain reported for auditing committee. (See report.)

BOOK CONCERN AT NEW ORLEANS.—Wm. R. Chase requested the members of the Conference to patronize Bro. C. C. Morse, Manager of the branch office at New Orleans for books, periodicals, and Sunday School supplies. W. E. O'Kane briefly addressed the Conference, approving same.

ADJOURNED.—Conference adjourned to meet at 1:30 p. m. Benediction by F. D. Van Valkenburg.

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#### FOURTH DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

Monday, February 9, 1903.—1:30 p. m.

The Conference was called to order by the Bishop, after song, N. H. Oliver led in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

INTRODUCTIONS.—C. K. Woodson, D. D., P. E. Waco District, Austin M. E. Conference. W. McDaniel and R. A. Hogabon, official members of first M. E. Church, Port Arthur; Rev. F. M. Boyles, J. M. Nutt, C. F. Dilley, and A. Harden were introduced.

ADDRESS.—Bro. W. McDaniel addressed some warm and brotherly remarks to the Conference.

REPORTS.—The Committee on resolutions presented report which was adopted by a rising vote. (See report).

In addition P. C. Chaney moved the incorporation of



our thanks for the courtesies of the railroad companies in granting reduced rates for the Conference.

MINUTE FUND.—After some remarks by the Secretary, the following subscription was taken for the publication of minutes:

P. C. Chaney, \$2.50; Wm. R. Chase, \$5.00; M. C. Hickman, \$2.50; G. B. Hines, \$2.50; J. T. James, \$1.00; C. A. King, \$2.00; J. W. Lively, \$5.00; H. H. McCain, \$2.00; C. E. Mock, \$1.00; N. H. Oliver, \$2.00; J. H. Paul, \$2.00; P. J. Robidoux, \$1.00; N. L. Sayers, \$1.00; J. W. Tinnin, \$1.00; F. D. Van Valkenburg, \$1.00; J. A. Christian, \$1.00; Jas. R. Basket, \$1.00; B. W. Hugg, \$1.00; W. E. Harrison, \$1.00; W. C. Mann, \$1.00; Louis May, \$1.00; W. B. Van Valkenburg, \$1.00; J. W. Hervey, \$1.00; W. McDaniel, \$1.00; F. Swanson, \$1.00; R. A. Hogabon, \$1.00; Mrs. A. R. Timmons, \$1.00; Mrs. Timmons, \$1.00; J. M. Nutt, \$1.00; S. E. Carruth, \$1.00; Mrs. J. S. Crowley, \$1.00; J. A. Carruth, \$1.00; Total amount of subscriptions, \$48.50.

The case of E. L. Wells was referred to the Presiding Elder of the New Orleans District.

TRANSFER.—On motion of C. A. King, W. B. Van Valkenburg was admitted into full connection to be transferred to the Austin Conference.

CONFERENCE CALENDAR.—Wm. R. Chase asked for a photograph of each member of Conference in order to prepare a calendar to be sold for the benefit of missionary work in India.

REPORTS.—The committee on missionary appropriations read report, which was approved. (See report).

The minutes were read and approved.

PRAYER.—The Conference was led in prayer by J. T. James.

PARTING WORDS.—Briefly, but with fatherly concern, Bishop Mallalieu addressed the Conference, after which he read the appointments and the Seventh (11th) Annual Session of the Gulf Mission Conference stood adjourned *sine die* with prayer and benediction by the Bishop.

W. F. MALLALIEU, *President*.

C. C. MORRIS, *Secretary*.



## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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- 1.—Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conferences?  
H. R. Osborne from Central Ohio Conference; C. W. Coons from Northwest Iowa Conference.
- 2.—Who have been readmitted?  
None.
- 3.—Who have been received on credentials, and from what Churches?  
None.
- 4.—Who have been received on trial?  
James W. Hervey.
- 5.—Who have been continued on trial?
  - (a) In studies of first year.  
Louis May.
  - (b) In studies of second year.  
James R. Basket, Benj. W. Hugg, Wm. C. Mann, Walter E. Harrison.
  - (c) In studies of third year.  
None.
  - (d) In studies of fourth year.  
None.
- 6.—Who have been discontinued?  
Wm. H. Curtis.
- 7.—Who have been admitted into full membership?
  - (a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.  
None.
  - (b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously.  
James A. Christian.
- 8.—What members are in studies of third year?
  - (a) Admitted into full membership this year.  
James A. Christian.
  - (b) Admitted into full membership previously.  
None.
- 9.—What members are in studies of fourth year?  
Henry H. McCain.
- 10.—What members have completed the Conference course of study?



- (a) Elected and ordained Elders this year.  
George B. Hines, Chas. E. Mock, John Paul.
- (b) Elected and ordained Elders previously.  
None.
- 11.—What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?  
(a) As Local Preachers. Dis., Paragraph 165, Sec. 1.)  
None.  
(b) Under Missionary Rule. (Dis., Par. 165, Sec. 4.)  
Jas. R. Basket.
- 12.—What others have been elected and ordained Elders?  
(a) As Local Deacons. (Dis., Par. 168, Sec. 1.)  
None.  
(b) Under Missionary Rule. (Dis., Par. 168, Sec. 4.)  
None.
- 13.—What was the character of each Preacher examined?  
This was strictly done as the name of each preacher called in open conference. The case of E. L. Wells was referred to the Presiding Elder of the New Orleans District.
- 14.—Who have been transferred, and to what Conferences?  
C. E. Mock and W. B. Van Valkenburg to the Austin Conference.
- 15.—Who have died?  
None.
- 16.—Who have been located at their own request?  
None.
- 17.—Who have been located-  
None.
- 18.—Who have withdrawn?  
None.
- 19.—Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints?  
None.
- 20.—Who have been expelled?  
None.
- 21.—What other personal notation should be made?  
None.
- 22.—Who are Supernumerary Preachers?  
P. C. Chaney, E. L. Wells, Thomas Wilson, Julian Woodson.
- 23.—Who are Superannuated Preachers?  
None.
- 24.—Who are the Triers of Appeals?



- C. A. King, J. T. James, J. W. Lively, C. C. Morris,  
F. D. Van Valkenburg, John H. Paul, J. W. Tinnin.
- 25.—What is the Statistical Report for this year?  
See tables.
- 26.—What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections  
ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the  
Conference Treasurer?  
\$1,641.
- 27.—What are the Claims on the Conference Fund.  
\$50.
- 28.—What has been received on these claims, and how has  
it been applied?  
\$50. applied by order of Conference.
- 29.—Where are the Preachers stationed?  
See appointments.
- 30.—Where shall the next Conference be held?  
Hughes Springs, Tex.
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## RESOLUTIONS.

### RESOLUTIONS OF GRATITUDE TO BISHOP C. D. FOSS, D. D., L. L. D.

The Gulf Mission Conference is now closing one of the best sessions in its history, and in view of the fact that our field is enlarged and greatly strengthened, our hearts are made glad by the evident manifestations of God's favor on our work. Our Conference embraces a large, valuable and rapidly developing section of our Southland. A stream of immigration is constantly pouring into our territory and the Methodist Episcopal Church is without doubt to be a great factor in the evangelization of these masses.

Therefore, as a Conference, we unanimously, thus express our gratitude to our beloved Bishop C. D. Foss for the increased Missionary appropriations granted us, largely through his influence. And his interest in this new, but important field has put new vigor and life into our work.

And further, as a Conference, we devoutly pray that his health and usefulness may long be continued to our beloved Church, and trust that his interest in us and in our work may continue until the Gulf Mission Conference will measure up to its opportunities.

Therefore we respectfully urge Bishop Foss to use his influence in securing for us an increased Missionary appropriation of Two Thousand dollars, to enable us to enter new fields and sufficiently occupy the fields already possessed.

WM. R. CHASE,  
J. W. LIVELY.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS.

This is the Golden Age of the Modern Church, the wonderful era of Missions. Never was there such an opportunity to reach the heathen world. Never had Jesus so many and such precious works and workers in the heathen fields. The Church is rising to her call and opportunity. Our own Church is forging ahead in men and money. Our little Conference is rising in missionary power. Missionary money is the most precious of all material values. We should make and save and send it as if our Salvation depended upon it. Let us gather it as Manna from the skies, lying all about us.

Your committee recommend that our pastors put the children to work at the first of the year raising mission money on Willing Worker Cards, and that every one of the Churches purchase the new Missionary Map of our Church for \$3.00 and put it in the Church as a constant object lesson on missions.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. JAMES, Chairman.

### CHURCH EXTENSION.

From its inception in 1865, to October 31st., 1902, the work of the Board of Church Extension is indeed gratifying to all who make a study of its work, which can be easily and quickly done in the Official Journal of the Board,—“Christianity in Earnest.” The totals of the work of the Board gives us the gratifying result of \$7,748,781.24 as the net receipts



on both General and Loan Funds, with 12,356 churches aided and 3,750,000 sittings provided.

The receipts for the fiscal year closing with October 31st, 1903, is indeed gratifying. This shows a total amount received of \$619,026.78, of which \$155,677.92 represents the amount of principal of loans returned, which is the largest receipt on this item in the history of the work.

Churches of our Conference have received aid, which has made possible the gratifying results from our work in this wide and needy field. In this connection we rejoice in that debts of \$450.00 on the Welsh, and \$152.00 on Lake Charles Churches have been paid.

The importance of our attitude to the claims of the Church Extension Board is only exceeded by that of the Missionary Society; indeed, the work of the two go together hand in hand, which should awaken us to do our duty by it, at least in proportion to that of the Missionary Society, which is four to one in favor of the latter.

Our Conference is asked to raise \$225, which gives us \$700 under a definite provision of the Disciplines fixed from year to year by the General Committee.

The amount of aid granted will depend on the amount collected, which rule cannot be changed.

This should move us to diligence that we may bring up at least the amount asked and if possible go beyond it.

To aid us in this, CHRISTIANITY IN EARNEST and GLAD TIDINGS should be used as advocates to our people till they see the question in its proper light, and come to our help. If we fail or allow this move to languish; surely we shall be without excuse. We recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

1.—We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension on the success of its move through a period of thirty-three years, and for the gratifying advances made last year.

2.—That we urgently commend our Conference to the Board as a needy and promising field, the fostering of which cannot but bring unprecedented returns.

3.—That our Presiding Elders be requested to apportion with care the full amount asked for Church Extension, to the several pastoral charges, and that we, as pastors availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, will present this cause in all our Churches, and endeavor to secure, at least, the amount asked for in accordance with the plan of Discipline.

Respectfully Submitted,

HY. H. MCCAIN,

F. D. VAN VALKENBURG.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCES.

The Lord Himself hath said: "To obey is better than sacrifice and to harken than the fat of rams." Having created man God knows the best thing for his creatures, and therefore in man's primitive state God has commanded him to keep His Sabbath holy. This Commandment is just as binding today as it was then. God witnesses this by showering down his blessing upon his people on that day and prospering that individual, community, state or nation which keeps this day with a holy reverence before Him. The observance of the Sabbath is a special means appointed by God for the cultivation of suitable dispositions and conditions of heart and mind, as well as a day of rest. We regard every form of Sabbath desecration as destructive to vigorous growth in Christian life and character, and injurious to the individual and society and antagonistic to the Church and offensive to God. Since in this rice growing section there is a great temptation on the part of our members to run their pumps on that day, and since the railroads usually give their annual excursions so that one must travel



on Sunday, and other various forms of Sabbath desecration known to all, we recommend that our preachers use at least two Sabbath morning services during the year, to preach directly on Sabbath observances and urge that the young people be present.

J. R. BASKET,  
G. B. HINES.

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### STATE OF THE CHURCH.

We rejoice in the success of the past year as manifested in the reports. God has sent showers of blessings to many neighborhoods through our pastors, and revivals have been general. Our membership shows no evidence of falling away, but on the contrary, a general increase. Doors are being opened to us over the whole territory. In the coming year we shall need no less heroic labor on the part of our pastors, official boards and membership.

C. W. CAMPBELL,  
W. C. MANN,

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### FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION.

The Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society has accomplished a work in this great Southland, which good men and holy angels, yea, we believe the Divine Father is pleased with.

Forty-three schools of high grade for white and colored people, valued at \$2,160,200, planted by this society, are employing nearly five hundred Christian teachers.

Ten thousand and sixteen students were in these schools last year. Two thousand, nine hundred in the Industrial departments, four hundred and eighty-four preparing for the Ministry, five hundred and forty-one Medical students, eight hundred and sixty-nine preparing to teach.

A wonderful work indeed. Yet, great as this is, what has been done is but the beginning of what needs to be done, hence the call for more earnest and united effort on the part of the whole Church to furnish the means necessary to carry on this gigantic work.

The Society asks this Conference to raise the coming year \$100. We recommend that this amount be apportioned to the charges of the Conference in the usual way.

The Society asks the Church to raise a thank offering of \$100,000 to be applied on its debts. We recommend that each pastor be urged to raise what they can above the amount (apportioned to meet the \$100) to apply on this fund.

The Society ought to build a school for the white people at some central point in the Gulf Mission Conference.

The time has come when we as a Conference feel it must be done, and we take this method of calling attention of the Board to the fact. We recommend that "Lincoln's birthday" be observed by all our pastors, as our Freedman's Aid and Southern Education day.

C. A. KING.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.

Inasmuch as the Sunday School is the nursery of the Church we would urge that the thirty-one thousand superintendents of our schools be men of God, and that the three hundred and fifty thousand teachers and officers know Christ and have some knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and would also urge that the Sunday School periodicals of our publishing houses be used in every school.

Inasmuch as the Tract Society furnishes good religious reading at the



rate of sixteen pages for one cent, we would urge our preachers to secure a liberal supply of tracts for distribution as we believe some souls may be reached by this method when all others fail.

N. H. OLIVER,  
J. A. CHRISTIAN.

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#### AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The accounts and receipts of the Presiding Elders, Treasurer of Minute Fund, and Conference Treasurer, have been examined and found correct.

HY. H. MCCAIN.

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#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Methodist Church has always stood for Temperance and the prohibition of the liquor traffic. We commend total abstinence for all our ministers and people; and pledge ourselves by precept and example to the enactment of prohibitory legislation, and to the every interest of the Temperance cause. We cordially endorse the National Anti Saloon League of America and especially approve of the great work it is now accomplishing in Texas and other states.

WM. B. VAN VALKENBURG, for Committee.

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#### EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Your Committee on Epworth Leagues feel encouraged over the prospect of the work of the Leagues of the Gulf Mission Conference. We find that some of the Leagues are rendering valuable assistance to their pastors and are confident that all the pastors would push this work if they only knew the strength of this department of our Church work. We recommend the organization of an Epworth League wherever possible and that a Sabbath evening service during the year be devoted to the explanations of the League work to the Church and young people.

The Epworth Herald is one of our best papers and we most earnestly recommend that all our pastors secure sample copies and give them to their young people and urge upon them to subscribe.

G. B. HINES,  
J. R. BASKET.

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#### EDUCATION.

"Methodism was born in a University," and has always stood for a higher Education both for the pulpit and the pew. One of the first things the "United Societies" did in England was to found schools and before the Methodist Episcopal Church was fairly under way in America, it built Caksbury College. Our fathers also built wisely and well knew that ignorance was not the mother of piety but of superstition and that education was not the mother of atheism but of religion. The great leaders of the Church throughout the ages have been men of training, not always University trained, yet trained. In all walks of life, the demand is today, as never before, for men of training. The world is making rapid strides on intellectual lines and the Church if it would hold its own must likewise advance. Therefore we heartily commend the excellent work for the higher Christian Education which is being accomplished for the Church through the Board of Education. We note with satisfaction the report of special gifts to the Board of Education and unreservedly commend it to the benevolence of our people, particularly those who are able to make larger gifts.



We urge that the Children's Day be observed and a collection taken on every charge. The contributions of our Conference received by the Board for the year were \$50.

The universal cry for trained men is heard in our Conference as well as elsewhere and if we would supply that demand we must help make it possible for our men to get training.

Experience has proven that the most orthodox Methodist preacher is one trained in a Methodist school. Other schools are all right for other people but for the Methodists we must have our Methodist schools. With the coming greatness of this Southland there will also come a flood tide of evil, unless we as a Conference, build up schools within our bounds where our boys and girls may receive a Christian education. If Methodism in this land would flourish, if it would be able to give a reason for the faith that is within it, it must build schools universally.

J. W. TINNIN,  
C. C. MORRIS,  
B. W. HUGG.

#### PERIODICALS.

The great Methodist Episcopal Church of which we are a part, is keeping abreast of the times with its publishing houses which have grown to magnificent proportions, and are well worthy of the patronage of every loyal Methodist. All books, papers and Sunday School literature necessary for our advancement in civil and religious living can be found without going outside the pales of the Church. We would therefore urge our people both pastors and laymen to patronize as much as possible our publishing houses. Especially would we insist on our ministers seeing that our Sunday School Literature is used in every school throughout the Conference.

And more especially would we urge our pastors to see that the Central Christian Advocate or some other of our Church Papers are in every Methodist family that they may have a better knowledge of what the Methodist Church is doing for the Salvation of the world and the advancement of Christ's cause and Kingdom.

J. P. ROBIDEAUX,  
N. L. SAYERS.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved: That we most earnestly thank Bishop W. F. Mallalieu for his patient, uniformly kind and careful oversight both spiritual and administrative during our session, for his heartfelt interest and fair representing of the condition, needs and promises of our work in the Southland and for his clear and kindly decisions on points of law that have come before us during our session.

We shall follow him with our prayers, and we will welcome him among us whenever in the providence of God, he may again be permitted to pay us a visit.

Resolved: That we tender our thanks to the kind people of Port Arthur who have opened their homes to us, and so hospitably cared for us during our stay in their midst. Our prayers shall ascend to the God of all Grace, that He may abundantly supply all their needs, through the riches of His Grace.

Resolved: That our thanks are tendered to the Kansas City Southern railroad for their kindness in offering us a special train and its use to carry us to and from the Oil Refinery.

Resolved: That we also thank the thoughtful citizens in meeting us at the refinery with a boat and carrying us to and from the Jetties and Gulf.

Resolved: That our thanks are tendered to the pastor of our Port



Arthur Church for his earnest efforts to administer to our comfort and pleasure.

Resolved: That we thank the Port Arthur newspapers for accurate and full accounts of our session.

Resolved: That we thank the particular railroads which have given us a reduced rate in traveling to and from the Conference.

G. B. HINES,  
J. R. BASKET.

### MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

New Orleans District .....	\$300 00
Auburn .....	100 00
Ebenezer .....	50 00
Hammond .....	75 00
Kinder Circuit .....	75 00
Gloster Circuit .....	150 00
Lutcher .....	100 00
St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans .....	300 00
Raymond Circuit .....	48 00
Port Arthur .....	150 00
La Porte and Texas City .....	55 00
Wesson Circuit .....	32 00
Beaumont .....	600 00
Italian work .....	300 00
French Work .....	350 00
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	\$2,685 00
Marshall and Red River District .....	\$250 00
Angelina .....	60 00
Athens .....	60 00
Beckville .....	80 00
Colmesneil .....	60 00
Jefferson .....	60 00
Long Street .....	75 00
Marshall .....	200 00
Noonday .....	80 00
Poland .....	75 00
Polk .....	60 00
Provincial .....	50 00
Red River .....	80 00
St Maurice .....	90 00
Terrell .....	40 00
Vivian .....	75 00
Wynn Circuit .....	60 00
Winsboro .....	60 00
Woodville .....	60 00
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	\$1,565 00

Grand Total ..... \$4,250 00

WM. R. CHASE, Secretary.

I approve these appropriations.

W. F. MALLALIEU.



# PLAN OF EXAMINATIONS 1903-4.

EXAMINERS.	FOR ADMISSION.	FIRST YEAR.	SEC. YEAR.	THIRD YEAR.	FOURTH YEAR.
C. W. Campbell . . . . .	{ English Branches . . . . . { Sermon . . . . .	Harman . . . . .	Harmon . . . . .	Terry . . . . .	Syllabi . . . . .
Wm. R. Chase . . . . .	Beers, Essay . . . . .	Miley . . . . .	Miley . . . . .	Buckley . . . . .	Fairbanks . . . . .
M. C. Hickman . . . . .	Plain Account . . . . .	Foster . . . . .	Syllabi . . . . .	Stewart . . . . .	Rishell . . . . .
J. T. James . . . . .	Life of Wesley . . . . .	Sillyabi . . . . .	Discipline . . . . .	Warren . . . . .	Warren . . . . .
C. C. Morris . . . . .	Nast's Catechism . . . . .	Hill's Rhetoric . . . . .	Fisher . . . . .	Ladd . . . . .	Smyth . . . . .
N. H. Oliver . . . . .	Stevens . . . . .	Broadus . . . . .	Broadus . . . . .	Sermon . . . . .	Sermon . . . . .
John Paul . . . . .	Merrill, Syllabi . . . . .	Discipline . . . . .	Wheeler . . . . .	Syllabi . . . . .	Essay . . . . .
F. D. Van Valkenburg . . . . .	Montgomery . . . . .	Sermon . . . . .		Hurst . . . . .	Hurst . . . . .
G. B. Hines . . . . .	Smith . . . . .				

All work is to be done in writing in the presence of witnesses. The chairman will arrange for the mid-year examinations. Candidates must call for all mid-year examinations through the registrar. All candidates and examiners must be at the seat of Conference one whole day before Conference convenes.

C. C. MORRIS, *Registrar*,  
Crowley, La.

J. T. JAMES, *Chairman*,  
Hammond, La.







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